Amendment No. 3 to HB0969

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 440*

House Bill No. 969

by deleting all of the language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-29-202, is amended by deleting subsection (b) and substituting instead the following:

(b)

it.

- (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), a person shall not be eligible to apply for a voter registration card and have the right of suffrage restored, unless the person has paid all restitution to the victim or victims of the offense ordered by the court as part of the sentence.
- (2) Beginning September 1, 2010, notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), a person shall not be eligible to apply for a voter registration card and have the right of suffrage restored, unless the person has paid all court costs assessed against the person at the conclusion of the person's trial, except where the authority issuing a certificate of voting rights restoration has made a written finding that the applicant is indigent at the time of application. A written finding of indigency shall be made in accordance with guidelines established by the administrative office of the courts. Any such finding shall be subject to administrative review.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring